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IN THE CLAIMS:

b)

Please amend the claims as identified hereinbelow.

Claims 1 and 2. (Cancelled)

3. (New) A package for storing discs comprising:

a) a stacked array of disc trays joined along a spine and defining a stack top, a

stack bottom and a stack height; and

a cover having a front portion and a back portion that are separated by a

cover spine having a width equal to the stack height, the back portion of the cover

including a strip section that is connected to the cover spine along a first hinge line and a

back cover section that is connected to the strip section along a second hinge line, wherein

the back cover section is fixedly attached to the stack bottom and the front portion and

strip section of the cover can be separated from engagement with the stack when the cover

is pivoted about the first and second hinge axis and moved into an open position.

4. (New) A package as recited in Claim 3, wherein the trays are substantially planar.

5. (New) A package as recited in Claim 3, wherein the cover is formed from a single

ply substrate.

6. (New) A package as recited in Claim 3, wherein the back cover section is adhered

to the stack bottom.

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7. (New) A package for storing articles comprising:

a) a stacked array of substantially planar elements joined along a spine and

defining a stack top, a stack bottom and a stack height; and

b) a cover having a front portion and a back portion that are separated by a cover spine having a width equal to the stack height, the back portion of the cover including a strip section that is connected to the cover spine along a first hinge line and a back cover section that is connected to the strip section along a second hinge line, wherein the back cover section is fixedly attached to the stack bottom and the front portion and strip section of the cover can be separated from engagement with the stack when the cover

is pivoted about the first and second hinge axis and moved into an open position.

8. (New) A method for making a package for storing discs comprising the steps of:

a) providing a stacked array of substantially planar elements;

b) joining the stacked array of substantially planar elements along a spine so as

to define a stack top, a stack bottom and a stack height;

c) providing a cover having a front portion and a back portion that are

separated by a cover spine having a width equal to the stack height, the back portion of the

cover including a strip section that is connected to the cover spine along a first hinge line

and a back cover section that is connected to the strip section along a second hinge line;

and

d) fixedly attaching the back cover section to the stack bottom such that the

front portion and strip section of the cover can be separated from engagement with the

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stack when the cover is pivoted about the first and second hinge axis and moved into an open position.

9. (New) The method as recited in Claim 8, wherein the step of fixedly attaching the back cover section to the stack bottom includes the step of applying an adhesive to the stack bottom and/or the back cover section.

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